TEXAS MUNICIPAL COURTS EDUCATION CENTER



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George Purefoy, City Manager City of Frisco 6101 Frisco Square Blvd. Frisco, TX 75034-4220

Dear Mr. Purefoy:

Congratulations! You are one of 224 cities in Texas that has one or more court clerks or administrators participating in the Texas Municipal Court Clerks Certification Program. This rigorous course of study includes three levels of certification, an examination at each level, and annual training requirements. The individuals shown below have been certified at the level indicated, and are in good standing. We hope that you will congratulate them and encourage them to move to the next level.

Certified Clerk(s) from the City of Frisco:

Heather Dent, Level I Karen Blade, Level I Keely Duckworth, Level I Matthew Freeman, Level II Arlene Puente, Level I Araceli Reyes, Level I Jed Tamayo, Level II Ana Urizarm Level I Ed Vance, Level I

More Texans (e.g., defendants, witnesses and jurors) come into personal contact with municipal courts than all other Texas courts combined. Because these experiences are frequently the only contact citizens have with the courts, public impression of the entire Texas judicial system and your city government becomes largely dependent upon their experiences in municipal court. The certification program emphasizes professionalism and a knowledgeable, professional court staff will strengthen the image of your city.

Also, during the last 20 years, municipal courts have experienced many changes. Increased subject matter jurisdiction, a higher volume of diverse cases and a litany of new laws and legal issues have redefined the role of Texas municipal courts. Municipal courts do not merely adjudicate traffic offenses – they also play a critical role in preserving public safety, protecting the quality of life in Texas communities, and deterring future criminal behavior. The annual training requirements of the certification program help court administrators and clerks stay up-to-date on the rapidly changing laws.

We feel confident that your city has benefited from the Municipal Clerks Certification Program. Please join us in congratulating the court clerks/administrators from your city who have worked so hard to attain certification. We also ask that you encourage other court clerks and administrators in your city to join the certification program. Participation enhances both your city's reputation and the self confidence and esteem of the participating individuals.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely yours,

Tessa LaManna Program Coordinator

Hope Lochridge Executive Director